

HOW MUCH RENT CAN I AFFORD?

(Guidelines to prevent delays in the move – in process...)

The Payment Standard is published by HUD and approved by the Fairfield Housing Authority Board of Commissioners. The payment standard is the maximum federal subsidy available by bedroom size in our area. The payment standard is not just rent alone.

Payment Standard = Rent + Utilities

You *may* be eligible for the rent at the payment standard if the landlord pays all utilities. If the landlord does not pay all utilities, the rent approved by the inspector will be less than the payment standard.

If you have wages, you are more likely able to afford a unit with rent closer to the maximum subsidy. If you are receiving welfare assistance, you **MUST** look for a unit that is below the payment standard.

Bedroom Size	1 BR	2BR	3BR	4BR	5BR
Fairfield Housing Authority Payment Standard	\$931	\$1166	\$1718	\$2043	\$2349
Rent range with wages as part of the total household income	\$850-931	\$1000-1166	\$1500-1718	\$1700-2043	\$2000-2349
Rent range without wages as part of the total household income	\$750-875	\$900-1000	\$1100-1500	\$1500-1750	\$1800-2100

And

The Housing Authority has an obligation to HUD to ensure the rent offered to the landlord is comparable to rent of similar sized units in the neighborhood.